SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program

Program Narrative

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The forms used for applying for Federal Assistance under the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program of the U.S. Department of Education include: Standard Form 424 (Application for Federal Education Assistance); ED Form 524 (Budget Information Non-Construction Program); Certifications Regarding Lobbying, Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions; Assurances-Non Construction Programs; and Disclosure of Lobbying Activities.

In order to facilitate the review process, applicants should submit an original and two copies of the application to the Application Control Center at the address listed in the application transmittal instructions of the application booklet.

All information required by the program regulations- Section 664-should be in the program narrative. Please use appendices to include supporting documents such as, resumes of all key project personnel (not to exceed 3 pages per person), support letters and documents confirming the availability of host country services. The body of narrative should not exceed thirty-five (35) double-spaced typed pages.

In organizing the program narrative, please provide a one-page abstract of project activities and respond to the evaluation criteria listed in Sections 664.31.

Applicants under the advanced overseas intensive language category must provide a plan of operation for each year for which funding is requested.

Budget Information

Federal funds under the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Program are provided only for foreign expenses. Current maintenance allowances for project participants are contained in the application. Rules establishing these rates are found in Section 664.4 of the Regulations. Since all funded project activities occur in foreign countries, no indirect charges are paid under the program.

Please provide an itemized budget, reflecting both Federal funds and non-Federal funds. Applicants who apply under the advanced overseas intensive language category must provide an itemized budget for each year for the total grant period requested. The Department will negotiate the budget funding levels for each project year of the grant at the time of the initial award.

Performance Report

Each grantee must submit an annual performance report in accordance with the Department of Education General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) 75.118. The performance report should include the most current performance and financial expenditure information to date. If a recipient fails to submit a performance report that meets the requirements of the 34 Code of the Federal Regulations (CFR) 75.590, 75.720, and 80.40, the Secretary may deny continued funding for the project.

Amendments

To request revisions to the budget or scope of the project, please explain the reasons for the changes in writing to the program officer. (EDGAR 74.25)

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LOCALITY	DAILY RATE
AFGHANISTAN	
Kabul	101
Other	51
ALBANIA	
Tirana	75
Other	53
ALGERIA	
Algiers	90
Other	39
ANDORRA	85
ANGOLA	178
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	
Antigua and Barbuda	116
Other	30
ARGENTINA	
Buenos Aires	165
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ARMENIA	77
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Brisbane	93
Canberra	76
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Townsville	72
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Innsbruck	88
Linz	79
Salzburg	97
Vienna	87
Other	84
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Faial Island	69
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Sao Miguel Island	76
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Eleuthera Island	114

Grand Bahama Island	111
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BAHRAIN	98
BALEARIC ISLANDS	109
BANGLADESH	
Dhaka	88
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BELARUS	73
BELGIUM	
Antwerp	87
Bertrix	48
Brugge	102
Brussels	110
Diegem	110
Florennes	48
Gent	57
Gosselies	80
Herstal	54
Leuven	71
Liege	54
Mons	80
Ostende	83
SHAPE/Chievres	80
Zaventem	110
Other	63
BELIZE	76
BENIN	
Cotonou	97
Other	44
BERMUDA	146
BHUTAN	24
BOLIVIA	
Cochabamba	47
La Paz	62
Santa Cruz	60
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Trinidad	38
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Angra dos Reis	96
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Rangoon	50
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Aguascalientes	61	

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Campeche	62
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Chetumal	51
Chihuahua	45
Ciudad del Carmen	51
Ciudad Juarez	54
Ciudad Obregon	73
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Colima	58
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Cuernavaca	68
Culiacan	66
Durango	51
Ensenada	70
Guadalajara	87
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Hermosillo	92
Ixtapa Zihuatanejo	75
La Paz	66
Leon	45
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Mazatlan	65
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Queretaro	80
Saltillo	53
San Carlos	45
San Felipe	43
San Jose Del Cabo	48
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San Miguel de Allende	66
Tampico	66
Tapachula	76
Tijuana	94
Torreon	60
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Veracruz	66
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Pohnpei	75
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Rabat	100
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Lisse	68
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Papendrecht	85
Rotterdam	85
Schiphol	103
Utrecht	87
Ypenburg	84
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Notice to Applicants: The Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA)

What is GPRA?

The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) is a straightforward statute that requires all federal agencies to manage their activities with attention to the consequences of those activities. Each agency is to clearly state what it intends to accomplish, identify the resources required, and periodically report their progress to the Congress. In so doing, it is expected that the GPRA will contribute to improvements in accountability for the expenditures of public funds, improve congressional decision-making through more objective information on the effectiveness of federal programs, and promote a new government focus on results, service delivery, and customer satisfaction.

How has the Department of Education Responded to the GPRA Requirements?

As required by GPRA, the Department of Education has prepared a strategic plan for 1998-2002. This plan reflects the Department's priorities and integrates them with its mission and program authorities and describes how the Department will work to improve education for all children and adults in the U.S. The Department's goals, as listed in the plan, are:

- Goal 1: Help all students reach challenging academic standards so that they are prepared for responsible citizenship; further learning, and productive employment.
- Goal 2: Build a solid foundation for learning all children.
- Goal 3: Ensure access to postsecondary education and lifelong learning.
- Goal 4: Make the Department of Education a high performance organization by focusing on results, service quality, and customer satisfaction.

The performance indicators for the International Education Programs are part of the Department's plan for meeting Goal 3: Ensure access to postsecondary education and lifelong learning.

What are the Performance Indicators for the International Education Programs?

The Department's specific goal for the International Education Programs is "to meet the nation's security and economic needs through the development of a International capacity in foreign language, area, and international studies." The objective and performance indicators are as follows:

- 1. To develop specialists and an educated citizenry who can communicate in foreign languages, particularly in the less-commonly taught languages, and who are knowledgeable about the countries in which those languages are spoken.
 - (1.1) Colleges Supported by Title VI Funds. The percentage of colleges and universities offering less-commonly taught languages that are supported by Title VI funds.
 - (1.2) **Number of Ph.D.s Teaching Non-Western Languages**. The number of persons receiving the Ph.D. under the Title VI/Fulbright-Hays funding who are teaching non-Western languages and area studies at U.S. colleges and universities.

NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS

The purpose of this enclosure is to inform you about a new provision in the Department of Education's General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) that applies to applicants for new grant awards under Department programs. This provision is Section 427 of GEPA, enacted as part of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (Pub.L.103-382).

To Whom Does This Provision Apply?

Section 427 of GEPA affects applicants for new grant awards under this program. ALL APPLICANTS FOR NEW AWARDS MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION IN THEIR APPLICATIONS TO ADDRESS THIS NEW PROVISION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FUNDING UNDER THIS PROGRAM.

(If this program is a State-formula grant program, a State needs to provide this description only for projects or activities that it carries out with funds reserved for State-level uses. In addition, local school districts or other eligible applicants that apply to the State for funding need to provide this description in their applications to the State for funding. The State would be responsible for ensuring that the school district or other local entity has submitted a sufficient section 427 statement as described below.)

What Does This Provision Require?

Section 427 requires each applicant for funds (other than an individual person) to include in its application a description of the steps the applicant proposes to take to ensure equitable access to, and participation in, its Federally-assisted program for students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries with special needs.

This provision allows applicants discretion in developing the required description. The statute highlights six types of barriers that can impede equitable access or participation: gender, race, national origin, color, disability, or age. Based on local circumstances, you should determine whether these or other barriers may prevent your students, teachers, etc. from such access or participation in, the Federally funded project or activity. The description in your application of steps to be taken to overcome these barriers need not be lengthy; you may provide a clear and succinct description of how you plan to address those barriers that are applicable to your circumstances. In addition, the information may be provided in a single narrative, or, if appropriate, may be discussed in connection with related topics in the application.

Section 427 is not intended to duplicate the requirements of civil rights statutes, but rather to ensure that, in designing their projects, applicants for Federal funds address equity concerns that may affect the ability of certain potential beneficiaries to fully participate in the project and to achieve to high standards. Consistent with program requirements and its approved application, an applicant may use the Federal funds awarded to it to eliminate barriers it identifies.

What are Examples of How an Applicant Might Satisfy the Requirement of This Provision?

The following examples may help illustrate how an applicant may comply with Section 427.

(1) An applicant that proposes to carry out an adult literacy project serving, among others, adults with limited English proficiency, might describe in its application how it intends to distribute a brochure about the proposed project to such potential participants in their native language.

- (2) An applicant that proposes to develop instructional materials for classroom use might describe how it would make the materials available on audiotape or in braille for students who are blind.
- (3) An applicant that proposes to carry out a model science program for secondary students and is concerned that girls may be less likely than boys to enroll in the course, might indicate how it intends to conduct "outreach" efforts to girls, to encourage their enrollment.

We recognize that many applicants may already be implementing effective steps to ensure equity of access and participation in their grant programs, and we appreciate your cooperation in responding to the requirements of this provision.

Estimated Burden Statement for GEPA Requirements

The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to vary from 1 to 3 hours per response, with an average of 1.5 hours, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather and maintain the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651.

Application Transmittal Instructions

An application for an award must be mailed or hand delivered by the closing date.

Applications Delivered by Mail

An application sent by mail must be addressed to:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Attention: CFDA Number 84.021 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20202-4725

An Application must show proof of mailing consisting of one of the following:

- (1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service Postmark
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.
- (4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the U.S. Secretary of Education.

If an application is sent through the U.S. Postal Service, the Secretary does not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A private metered postmark, or
- (2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

An applicant should note that the U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, an applicant should check with its local post office.

An applicant is encouraged to use registered or at least first class mail.

Each late applicant will be notified that its application will not be considered.

Applications delivered by Hand/Courier Service

An application that is hand delivered must be taken to:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Room 3633 Regional Office Building 3 7th & D Streets, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20202-4725

The Application Control Center will accept deliveries between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (Washington, D.C.) daily, except Saturdays, Sundays and Federal holidays.

Individuals delivering applications must use the D Street entrance. Proper identification is necessary to enter the building.

In order for an application sent through a Courier Service to be considered timely, the Courier Service must be in receipt of the application on or before the closing date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CONTRACT AND GRANT PROGRAMS

GRANTS

Applicants for grants from the U.S. Department of Education (ED) have to compete for limited funds.

Deadlines assure all applicants that they will be treated fairly and equally, without last minute haste.

For these reasons, ED must set strict deadlines for grant applications. Prospective applicants can avoid disappointment if they understand that

Failure to meet a deadline will mean that an applicant will be rejected without any consideration whatever.

The rules, including the deadline, for applying for each grant are published, individually, in the Federal Register. A one-year subscription to the Register may be obtained by sending \$340.00 to: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402-9371. (Send check or money order only, no cash or stamps.)

The instructions in the Federal Register must be followed exactly. Do not accept any other advice you may receive. No ED employee is authorized to extend any deadline published in the Register.

Questions regarding submission of applications may be addressed to:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Washington, D.C. 20202-4725

CONTRACTS

Competitive procurement actions undertaken by the ED are governed by the Federal Procurement Regulations and implementing ED Procurement Regulations.

Generally, prospective competitive procurement actions are synopsized in the Commerce Business Daily (CBD). Prospective offerors are therein advised of the nature of the procurement and where to apply for copies of the Request for Proposals (RFP).

Offerors are advised to be guided solely by the contents of the CBD synopsis and the instructions contained in the RFP. Questions regarding the submission of offers should be addressed to the Contracting Specialist identified on the face page of the RFP.

Offers are judged in competition with others, and failure to conform with any substantive requirements of the RFP will result in rejection of the offer without any consideration whatever.

Do not accept any advice you receive that is contrary to instructions contained in either the CBD synopsis or the RFP. No ED employee is authorized to consider a proposal which is non-responsive to the RFP.

A subscription to the CBD is available for \$208.00 per year via second class mailing or \$261.00 per year via first class mailing. Information included in the Federal Acquisition Regulations is contained in Title 48, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1 (\$49.00). The foregoing publication may be obtained by sending your check or money order only, no cash or stamps, to:

Superintendent of Documents U.S. Government Printing Office Washington, D.C. 20402-9371

In an effort to be certain this important information is widely disseminated, this notice is being included in all ED mail to the public. You may, therefore, receive more than one notice. If you do, we apologize for any annoyance it may cause you.

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